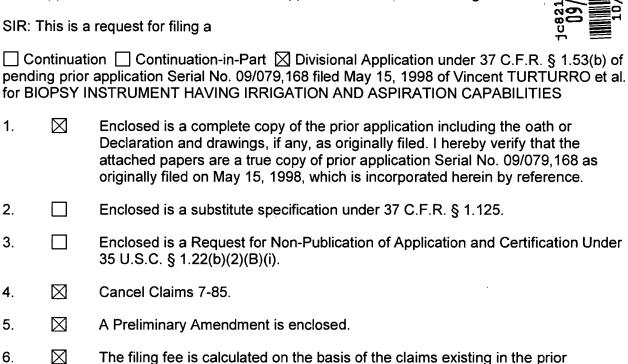


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Basic Application Filing I	Fee			,	\$740	\$	\$740.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	6	[-]	20	0	x \$18		0
Independent Claims	1	1-1	3	0	x \$84	_	0
☐ Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) +\$270							0
Subtotal					\$	740.00	
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity					-		
TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE					\$	740.00	

7. A check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

application as amended at 4 and 5 above.

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8.		The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
9.	$\boxtimes$	Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the following new paragraph:
		This is a ☐ continuation ☒ division of application Serial No.09/079,168, filed May 15, 1998 which is a CIP of 08/756,260, filed November 25, 1996, both of which are incorporated herein by reference.
10.	$\boxtimes$	New formal drawings are enclosed.
11.	$\boxtimes$	The prior application is assigned of record to: Scimed Life Systems, Inc.
12.		Priority of application Serial No. , filed on in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy
		is enclosed or is on file in the prior application.
13.		A verified statement claiming small entity status
		is enclosed or is on file in the prior application.
14.		The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following: FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P., Douglas B. Henderson, Reg. No. 20,291; Ford F. Farabow, Jr., Reg. No. 20,630; Arthur S. Garrett, Reg. No. 20,338; Donald R. Dunner, Reg. No. 19,073; Brian G. Brunsvold, Reg. No. 22,593; Tipton D. Jennings, IV, Reg. No. 20,645; Jerry D. Voight, Reg. No. 23,020; Laurence R. Hefter, Reg. No. 20,827; Kenneth E. Payne, Reg. No. 23,098; Herbert H. Mintz, Reg. No. 26,691; C. Larry O'Rourke, Reg. No. 26,014; Albert J. Santorelli, Reg. No. 22,610; Michael C. Elmer, Reg.

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15.	$\boxtimes$	The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.
16.		Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
17.	$\boxtimes$	Please address all correspondence to FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT and DUNNER, L.L.P., 1300 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005-3315, Customer Number 22,852.
18.		Recognize as associate attorney Leslie I. Bookoff, Reg. No. 38,084 and Jeanne M. Tanner, Reg. No. 45,156
19.		Also enclosed is

<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION</u>. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the parent application, serial no. 09/078,168, filed May 15, 1998, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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Dated: October 16, 2001

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